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"O" BRAKEMAN KILLED WHILE ASLEEP ON DUTY

GEORGE T. BRADFORD STRUCK BY PASSENGER TRAIN NO. 42 SATURDAY NIGHT

Body Badly Mangled in Fatal Accident at Dooley Siding—About Twenty-one Years Old.

George T. Bradford, Burlington brakeman was instantly killed at Dooley siding, near Crawford, Saturday night when he was struck by passenger train number forty-two as he slept on the railroad tracks.

Young Bradford, who came to Alliance and the employ to the C. B. & Q. about thirty days ago was a member of the crew for an extra west and when the freight took the siding at Dooley to allow the passenger train to pass he was sent out as flagman to warn the other crew of the danger. While on such duty he, it is presumed, sat upon the rails to rest and while so doing fell asleep. As the passenger rounded the curve at this point Engineer A. E. Nelson saw the red signal lantern and at about the same time he saw the young man rouse from his position on the track and fall back again, too late to escape the oncoming locomotive and its train. The engineer applied the brakes and put into use every appliance and method known to avoid the horrible accident but without avail, but he was successful in bringing his train to a standstill after five of the cars had passed over the body. The crew picked up the remains, badly cut up as they were, and brought them to Alliance where the body was prepared for burial. Both limbs were completely severed from the body at the knees and the body crushed in the accident. He was about twenty-one years of age.

The body was shipped to Brighton, Colorado, the home of his mother for interment Monday morning.

BLOODY BATTLE RESULT OF MEXICAN QUARREL

Three Mexicans, armed to the teeth, stirred up no little excitement Saturday afternoon at the railroad yards when they engaged in a real battle and started to cutting and shooting rather promiscuously. The trouble grew out of remarks made about each other and which were carried from one to the other by outside parties it seems, after there had been quarrelling over some gambling they had engaged in.

According to the statement of Antonio Serbantez, who is now in the county jail awaiting trial in the District court or until he can secure bond in the sum of \$2,000, there had been blood between Higinia Trancisco, Juan Lopez and himself for some days and that he had carried a gun as protection. On this particular occasion he was accosted by the other two, one of whom told him that he did not appear to be a bad man and that he was going to kill him. This brought forth Antonio's gun and forthwith one of the others produced a knife and forced him to give up his gun. This being done his assailant slashed him across the face with the knife cutting an ugly rash of about three inches on the left side of his face and nearly severing an important blood vein at the jaw. He procured another weapon and forced his opponents to return his gun and then he began the shooting and before he had finished he had put six bullet holes through the body of Trancisco, and came dangerously near killing Mr. A. Groce, the section foreman and his nine year old daughter, who when informed that he was wanted at the camp ventured to the scene not knowing that trouble was brewing and were struck by an stray shot. Trancisco is still at the Mexican quarters recuperating from his injuries and is getting along nicely. The other fellow escaped on a departing freight train and has as yet not been apprehended.

NEW IMPLEMENT FIRM LOCATED IN ALLIANCE

Will be Ready for Business in About Thirty Days at Corner Second and Laramie.

Alliance is soon to have a new implement house. Messrs. Fred W. Melick of Hemingford and E. T. Redmon of Scottsbluff have formed a partnership and will engage in the business just as soon as the quarters now being prepared at the corner of Second street and Laramie avenue have been completed.

It is the plan of the new firm to handle everything in the line of farm and ranch equipment and to carry a full line of tin needed repairs. The building was formerly occupied by the Palace livery and sale stable is being remodeled throughout and repaired and will prove to be convenient, comfortable quarters for the business. Both of these men are experienced implement dealers and they will establish a very lucrative patronage.

How to Avoid the Death

- 1. Never accept an office as it is easier to criticize than to do things.
2. If you do accept and think that you are not personally getting all the glory, get sore and quit.
3. If candidly asked your opinion on how things should be done say you don't know, but after the meeting tell them how they should be.
4. When others roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their time and ability to help matters along howl that the closed doors.

GOVERNMENT CONTINUES SALE SURPLUS FOODSTUFF THRU DISTRICT STORES

Persons Residing in Nebraska, North and South Dakota Will Get Supplies from Omaha by Parcels Post Prepaid.

Although the present indications are that the government will discontinue the sale of its surplus foodstuffs now stored in the army depots throughout the country to municipalities there is great likelihood that it will continue to sell these goods to individuals over the country. Such sales are scheduled to start next Thursday, September 25th and will continue until the surplus allotted to each district is disposed of. The sales will be made over the counter to individuals and through catalogs and price-lists now being prepared and delivery made by parcels post with the government paying the cost of transportation.

People living in Nebraska, North and South Dakota will be supplied from the Omaha depot; those residing in Wyoming, Utah and Colorado from the Denver stores.

Those of the Alliance people as invested in these goods a couple of weeks ago when the carload was received for distribution here by Mayor Rodgers and the Community Club speak well of the quality of the foodstuffs and many of them have expressed regret in not having been able to obtain larger quantities. According to the information available at this time there will be no limit made by the government in its sales. The Herald will have a supply of the price lists and catalogs within a few days and will be glad to pass out a copy to those who will call and ask for same.

MISS PORTER OF SALVATION ARMY WILL SPEAK HERE

Miss Porter, a recently returned Salvation Army worker from France will speak in Alliance Friday evening at the Imperial theatre immediately following the picture show. Miss Porter was before the war engaged in newspaper work, which she gave up to go to the battlefields and her part in winning the war. Her talk will be of real interest and all who appreciate the hardship undergone by the relief workers on the battle front should plan now to be present on Friday evening.

NEW RAILROAD MEN'S LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Box Butte lodge, No. 244, Switchmen's Union of America, a new order insofar as the railroad men of Alliance are concerned has been organized in this city recently and Tuesday of this week the charter members had their first business meeting at the Reddish hall. After perfecting all other organization plans the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, C. R. Clark; Vice-president, H. F. Kaps; Recording Secretary, C. W. Blanchard; Chaplain, C. E. Ray; Treasurer, Clyde Miller; Conductor, M. Voyle; Guard, Ed King and Musician, C. C. Kerbel.

The Switchmen's union is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and throughout other parts of the United States is very strong. It is composed of members of the yard service in railroad work and where the union is contracted with the railroad companies its members only are employed in such service. The local lodge will meet each first Tuesday of the month at the hall at 9:00 a. m. and on the third Tuesday at 8:00 a. m. This arrangement will allow all members to attend at least one meeting during the month.

MILLER SOLD FARM FOR ONE HUNDRED PER ACRE

J. M. Miller of the Alliance hotel this week sold his quarter section of farming land located just a mile west of this city to J. E. Wilson for the neat sum of \$100 per acre. Following this deal he purchased of Mr. Wilson 640 acres located three miles northwest of the city at a consideration of \$70 per acre.

Mr. Miller will convert his newly purchased farm into a poultry, dairy and truck farm and will incidentally raise a few hogs to supply the pork for use in his dining rooms at the hotel.

\$1,000 GAME OF BASE BALL WILL BE PLAYED HERE

ANGORA-ALLIANCE MATCH TO TAKE PLACE AT ALLIANCE FAIR GROUNDS SUNDAY.

Mr. Frank W. Newhouse, of Denver Post staff of Writers Will umpire the Contest.

The big \$1,000 game of base ball, which has been the topic of no little discussion in Alliance during the past several weeks, will be played at the fair grounds in this city next Sunday afternoon. The arrangements of the clubs is that each play the same players as played in the Labor Day game, man for man with each club allowed one substitute.

One of the most important features of the game will be the umpiring of Mr. Frank Newhouse, sport writer of the Denver Post staff and one of the best known amateur base ball umpires in the middle west, who has been secured that neither team will have the advantage. Mr. Newhouse officiated throughout the entire Denver Post tournament and has since been at Casper, Wyoming on a like mission. His work has always brought forth much favorable comment because of the fairness in which he makes his decisions. He tolerates no "rough stuff" and by his own actions instills "pep" into the players and keeps the game snappy and full of life to the last minute.

The game will be called promptly at 3:00 o'clock and the many supporters of the two teams will be there in full force. Ground rules which will assure those in the grandstand that they will be able to see every play of the most interesting game of the season have been agreed upon.

If you take pleasure in witnessing a real game of base ball; one in which every man is putting every ounce of his energy into his playing—you will get your money's worth, and more, in this game. Get out; help the home team over the biggest victory of the year. Remember the date is Sunday, September 21st and the place is the fair grounds, Alliance.

TELEPHONE COMPANY GETTING OUT NEW PHONE DIRECTORY

The Alliance branch of the Nebraska Telephone Company is soon to have a new telephone directory. The new book will be somewhat different in style than former numbers and it is believed it will prove more convenient. The Herald office will do the printing of the directory and within the next week or ten days it will be ready for distribution.

NEW MANAGER AT THE ALLIANCE HOTEL AND CAFE

Mr. W. D. Cleland, of Kansas City, and experienced in the hotel business, is the new assistant to Mr. J. M. Miller of the Alliance hotel and cafe. Prior to coming to Alliance Mr. Cleland had charge of a chain of eating houses in Kansas City and was for some time employed by a syndicate operating railroad eating houses. In his work here he will assume charge of the hotel and cafe business here during the time necessary for Mr. Miller to be absent from the place. Mrs. Cleland is also employed in the business.

HORD POTASH COMPANY WILL REBUILD ITS PLANT

According to reports reaching Alliance this week from sources believed to be reliable the Hord potash plant recently destroyed by fire at Lakeside will be rebuilt in the near future.

This is particularly interesting to those interested in the industry here as it denotes confidence in the future of the industry. The other companies, or most of them, have already resumed operations and the Hord plant was practically in readiness when the disaster occurred. Reports have it that the work will be started immediately, but it is likely the plant will not be as large as the former one.

FORMER ALLIANCE CITIZEN PASSED AWAY LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. S. M. Sears, formerly an Alliance citizen passed away early last Sunday morning at her home at Hyannis, Nebraska, at the age of 63 years. She lived in this city for about fifteen years. Those surviving are: Clyde Phillips of Canon City, Colorado and Carl Cornwell of Hyannis. Her health had been poor for many months and though her death was a severe shock it had been expected by those close for some time. Alliance friends of the family will learn with sincere regret of her demise.

Rev. H. E. Wright, retiring pastor of the Methodist church, left the first of the week for Blair, Nebraska, to accept charge of the Methodist church at that point. He is followed by the good wishes of many friends here, made during his successful work in charge of the local church.

WAR PLANE MADE CROSS-COUNTRY FLIGHT TO CITY

LINCOLN TO SIDNEY TRIP MADE WITHIN SIX HOURS' TIME BY COPSEY.

Alliance Man Accompanied Pilot on Return Trip—Many Experienced Their First Ride.

Alliance was visited this week by a real aviator—Robert Copsey, brother of our townsman Dr. H. A. Copsey and for months instructor at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas. More than that the trip to this city was made by a cross-country flight from Sidney, the first time an airplane has ever visited Alliance in such manner.

Mr. Copsey, who is at the head of the Midwest Aerial Navigation company of Lincoln, served for almost two years in the aviation corp of the United States army during the time of war and during that time he was for eighteen months instructor at Kelly Field, No. 2, with a rank of First Lieutenant. His work in such capacity was so efficient that he was kept at the post and not allowed to go overseas. At the close of the war he purchased the plane which he drove to Alliance from Sidney last Sunday morning in one hour and fifteen minutes at a public sale held by the government and since has been making exhibition flights and carrying passengers. He has traversed five states and on this trip drove from Lincoln to Sidney in six hours. At that place he was engaged in making trips into the air as a part of the program of the Cheyenne county fair. During his short stay in Alliance he was kept busy carrying people over the city and surrounding territory, many of whom had never before experienced the sensations of traveling by air, but none of whom expressed a regret in having availed themselves of the opportunity.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. Copsey accompanied by Clarence Seifer left Alliance in the plane for Lincoln. A wire received by Mrs. Seifer stated that the first stop for gasoline was at Broken Bow. They will continue on to Lincoln and Omaha. Pilot Copsey says that the airship is far safer than many other means of travel and that flying is the one real sport. He predicts the common use of the machine within the coming few years for cross-country trips where time is a main feature. One hundred miles an hour is not a great speed, or at least the speed is not noticed he said and when once accustomed to the use of the machine all other conveyances seem too slow entirely.

NEW LAW MAKES SPUD GRADING NECESSARY NOW

A. H. GROVES APPOINTED INSPECTOR FOR ALLIANCE DISTRICT.

Every Shipper of Carload Lot Must Have Tuber Graded Before the Shipment is Made.

A new Nebraska law provides that each and every shipment of potatoes comprising a carload or part of carload lot must be inspected by a duly appointed inspector and graded by him before the shipment is made regardless of by whom owned or shipped. Last year and under a ruling by the U. S. Food Administration it was necessary for commission men to have the shipments graded and so successful was the scheme the Nebraska legislature has passed a law continuing the practice. It is claimed that the original arrangement made possible the elimination of ninety per cent of the loss and disputed claims of commission men.

Last Saturday Mr. George A. Williams, chief inspector of the state accompanied by Prof. Howard of the state university was in Alliance and Hemingford making the appointment of assistant inspectors. In Alliance he has appointed Mr. A. H. Groves, who handled the work last year. Mr. Groves, will have in his district: Yale, Birdall, Berea and Letan. At Hemingford Mr. Peter Jensen will have charge of the work.

The following is the grading schedule as provided by the new law: Potato Grading Bill—Passed by 1919 Session of the Nebraska Legislature, Senate File No. 133. Section 1. Carlot shipments of potatoes originating in Nebraska shall be assorted and graded at point of origin according to grades herein specified.

Sec. 2. For the purposes of this act, "Practically free" means that the appearance shall not be injured to an extent readily apparent upon casual examination and that any damage from the causes mentioned can be removed by the ordinary processes of paring without appreciable increase in waste over that which

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THE HERALD IS SATISFIED!

The Alliance Herald is a member of the Alliance Community Club—a member in good standing, with its dues paid in advance. Moreover, The Herald is one among the principal contributors toward the maintenance of its organization.

This being true, The Herald takes this occasion to publicly announce that it is thoroughly and entirely satisfied with the manner in which the affairs of the Community Club are being conducted. It is satisfied with the personnel of the board of directors—nine leading business men of the town who are giving their time to the club with no other compensation than the knowledge that they are endeavoring to be good, loyal citizens.

And The Herald is satisfied—more than that, it is highly pleased—with the work of the very able gentleman who was elected last April to the secretaryship of the club. It may be the fact that he is not a loud-mouthed braggart, chasing wildly up and down the street day by day in a frenzied effort to keep his own personality in the spotlight, has misled a few of the uninformed into believing that he is not at work. But his board of directors know better. And The Herald knows better. And ninety-nine per cent of the club membership knows better.

Three cheers for the Alliance Community Club, for its nine patriotic directors, and for its capable, modest and efficient secretary!

STANDPIPE IS BEING PAINTED BY PYLE CO.

New Top Will Also be Placed on Water Supply Reservoir by Contractors of Job.

Alliance's water supply reservoir, the standpipe, is being given a thorough overhauling and painting by the D. W. Pyle Company's force of expert workmen this week and when the job is finished the reservoir will be in first-class condition for another period of several years.

The process employed by the Pyle Company is distinctly different than other processes. It brings into use a specially prepared paint which insures against rust and which contains ingredients that offset all action of life acids and mineral properties in the water. Nine years ago this process was used by the standpipe here by the Pyle Company and at that time rivet heads had become eaten and the iron was pitted in places by rust. Since that time there has been no greater damage done by the damaging contents of the water and the condition of the standpipe is about as good as then. Upon that occasion Mr. Pyle guaranteed his work for a period of five years; now he lengthens his guaranty two years a feature made possible by further perfection of his process and the use of the best materials obtainable. Both the interior and the exterior have been treated. On the inside the work is kept up day and night, the night operations made possible by a high powered electrical equipment carried by the company which not only furnishes the necessary light, but also furnishes the driving power for the steel brushes used in cleaning the iron walls. It was necessary to empty the standpipe but for two nights while the work was being completed.

Mr. Pyle has been for years engaged in this line of work and during that time he has handled almost all such contracts let in Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. He has been accorded numerous contracts by the government and has many splendid endorsements of his work. A few days ago he was given an order by the Great Western Sugar Company that calls for the painting and repairing of sixteen tanks and towers owned by the company and in use at the sugar factories. Eleven of these towers are located in Colorado; three in Nebraska, one in Billings, Montana and one in Wyoming. The contract is one of the largest ever let in this section of the country for such work. The job will be handled early next year.

M'FALL IS BOUND OVER TO THE DISTRICT COURT

Evidence Submitted at Preliminary Hearing Sufficient to Warrant Holding for Trial.

Lee McFall, charged with having fired the shot which mutilated the hand of John Pepples a couple of weeks ago, was bound over to the district court in the preliminary hearing held Tuesday at Bridgeport. The complaint was made by the young man's father. Several witnesses from Alliance were examined during the hearing, among whom were: Dr. C. E. Slagle, John Pepples, C. A. Laing, Clarence Jones and Geo. Stafford. The testimony was such as to convince the judge that the member had been injured by a charge of shot and not by the explosion of a lamp as was first contended and the defendant is to be held pending trial or the obtaining of bonds in the sum of \$5,000. The accident happened at the McFall ranch in Morrill county.

WILL ORGANIZE MILLION DOLLAR OIL COMPANY

NEBRASKA AND WYOMING MEN MET IN ALLIANCE AND COMPLETED THE PLANS.

Holdings Secured Cover Territory in Four Wyoming Oil Fields and Have Excellent Prospects.

Eighteen Nebraska and Wyoming men gathered at a meeting held Tuesday evening at the offices of The Thomas-Bald Investment Company in Alliance and completed plans for the organization of an oil company with a capital of \$1,000,000, which will have headquarters at Alliance and which now has holdings of approximately 13,000 acres, located in four different Wyoming oil fields.

The men who gathered in Alliance Tuesday night were from Newcastle, Wyoming; Edgemont, S. D., Hemingford, Alliance, Gering, Lincoln, Omaha and other Nebraska points. They and their associates during the past four months have been busy acquiring the acreage in the Wyoming oil fields which will comprise the holdings of the company.

Recent oil discoveries in the districts in which their holdings are located have given them added value and their development will proceed without delay. The new company is to be known as the Wyoming Northeastern Oil Company. The board of directors consists of Chas. F. Gruening and F. T. Morrison, prominent Omaha business men; A. M. Miller and P. J. Michael, well known Hemingford capitalists and business men; O. W. Gardner of Gering, well known North Platte valley capitalist; F. A. Bald, Lloyd C. Thomas, R. M. Baker and C. M. Looney, of Alliance and well known in this vicinity.

The officers of the company will be F. A. Bald, president; C. M. Looney, vice-president; Lloyd C. Thomas, secretary; and A. M. Miller, treasurer.

The holdings of the company in the Mule Creek field, eight miles west of Edgemont, S. D., across the Wyoming line, include 2,440 acres. This is the proven shallow field which has been creating a great deal of excitement and in which the Ohio and Midwest oil companies have large oil holdings. There are at the present time a number of producing wells in this field and about fifteen rigs are engaged in drilling. The discovery well was brought in by the Ohio oil company at a depth of 1330 feet, this well having a capacity of 250 barrels every 24 hours.

The holdings of the company on the Cheyenne river, in the "Hidden Dome" district, comprise 8,000 acres of land, which will soon be proven by drilling. Test drilling has been going on near these holdings for several months to determine structure. Several wells will be started soon in this district, which is now the center of much excitement.

The company also has holdings in two other fields which are of much promise. Prominent and reliable geologists have thoroughly examined the holdings of the company and give excellent reports.

WHEELER DEFEATED GREENE BY WINNING TWO FALLS

A. B. Wheeler won the wrestling go at the Imperial theatre Tuesday evening from E. C. Greene after the latter had won the first fall in about twenty-five minutes of fast wrestling with a body scissors. The second went to Wheeler by the use of the arm hammerlock and the third and last to him also. In the second go Greene was weakened when he allowed his opponent to put considerable pressure into his hold before he conceded it fail. Both of these men are freemen employed by the Burlington and both are wrestlers of no mean ability. Wheeler is the heavier of the two by a good many pounds and has met successfully several very good mat artists during the past few months.

Within the next few days the go between Wheeler and Steve Cannon, local barber and wrestler will be staged at the Imperial and in this match there is already considerable interest manifest. Cannon, though lighter in weight is very fast and knows the game thoroughly. The go should be an interesting one from start to finish.

ALLIANCE OWNED PACER GETS TWO FIRSTS AT MITCHELL

Litton Jr., the fleet little corral pacer owned by Frank Shreve of Alliance won two first moneys at the Mitchell races last week. The first race, on Thursday was the 2:40 pace, which was won easily and on Saturday Litton was again started and topped off the high prize again in the 2:25 pace. The horse is but a three-year-old and early in the season injured a knee which necessitated drawing him from other races in which Mr. Shreve had planned to enter. During the racing meet here the colt made a favorable impression among the horsemen and was admired by the spectators. This week he is entered in races at the Tri-State Fair at Crawford.